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1. At Novorossiysk, [] ship dropped anchor in the roads to await the boarding of the harbor pilot. The anchorage buoy which on a previous trip had been extinguished was again in good working order. At 1930 hours after a wait of twelve and one-half hours, the ship moored at the Grain pier. In the 26 hours that [] ship was in port no one went ashore for liberty.
2. Upon entering the Novorossiysk roadstead, [] the fort that is indicated at A on the attached sketch map of Novorossiysk no longer exists. Between the points B and C, however, there is a military area. It is covered with recently transplanted trees that are symmetrically placed, like olive trees, which serve to conceal the placements of medium artillery pieces. Nevertheless, these were clearly visible [] The latter could not give the exact number of guns but asserted that they were scattered all over the wooded area.
3. [] ship dropped anchor at E on Attachment 1, as close as possible to shore so that observations could be made. On the shore at F there were about ten clusters of barracks, all of modern construction, both one and two story structures painted red and yellow. Soldiers moving about could be seen clearly and there was abundant evidence of barracks life. Squads of soldiers were also seen coming out of these buildings. In the same area but closer to the cement factories there were many houses.
4. At G on Attachment 1 there were three rows of sheds or warehouses, about 30 in all. These were one story masonry structures approximately 25 x 15 meters, with gray roofs and light colored walls. A few soldiers could be seen moving about in these buildings. Situated as they were on the slope of the hill, these sheds may have been powder

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magazines, arsenals, or the depots of other war materiel.

- 25X1X 5. [] the existence of powerful searchlights with 60 to 70 mile ranges in the Black Sea area. For example, while heading towards the Bosphorus, [] that powerful searchlights lighted up the sky over Cape Kherson near Sevastopol. As [] ship was leaving the bay at Novorossiysk, it was brightly illuminated by both searchlights on land and the searchlight on the patrol boat which escorted it beyond territorial waters. One searchlight is located at H on Attachment 1 and a second one at Pt. Dub. 25X1X
6. Ashore, while enroute to Inflat, [] saw about 600 soldiers march past him. They were in squads but unarmed and they were marching from west to east along the seashore road. Their uniforms were dark brown and in fairly good condition. 25X1X
7. There was a power plant located between the two cement factories. It was very large and painted a dark gray.
8. Tankers were continually loading at the oil pier. While [] in port two tankers of eight to ten thousand tons capacity loaded and departed only to be replaced by two others of medium tonnage. Besides these ships, the Italian tanker, the ex-Istria, also tied up to the oil pier. 25X1X
9. In port there was the usual traffic of small boats, fishing smacks, and patrol boats.
- 25X1X 10. Just as [] ship was about to leave, a Soviet passenger ship of about 8,000 tons tied up to the western side of the coal pier. It had a white funnel with a red band in the middle on which the hammer and sickle were painted with luminous paint.
11. The harbor pilot aboard at departure related that he was an ex-commander of a Soviet Liberty ship, while the pilot who had guided the ship into the harbor was the same as the one on the previous voyage.

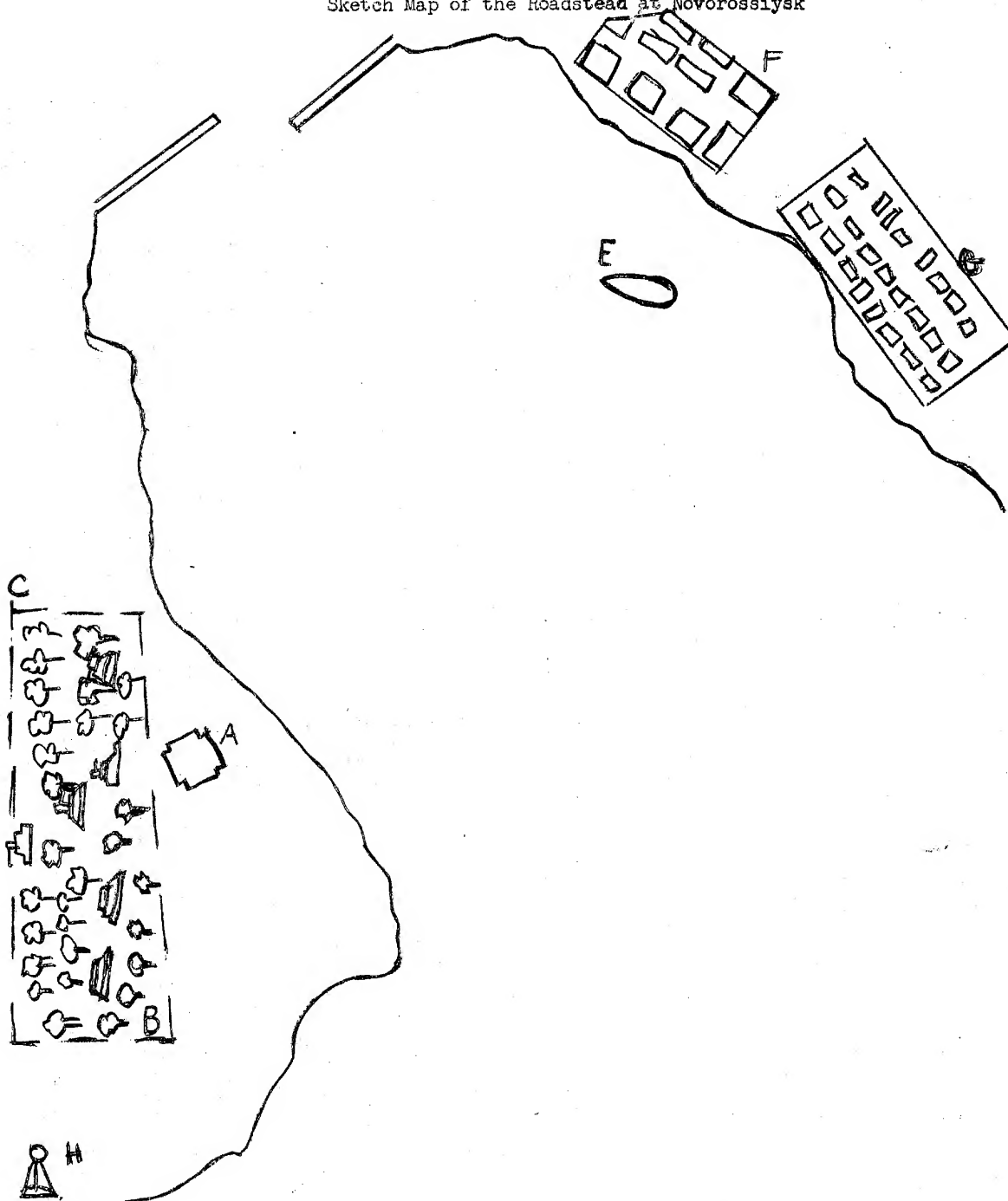
Attachment:

1. Sketch Map of the Roadstead at Novorossiysk

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